

HOUSE BILL 1347

By Curcio

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 3;
Title 4 and Title 58, Chapter 2, relative to
emergency powers.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 58, Chapter 2, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) As used in this section, "executive agency" means any agency, authority, board, commission, department, office, or quasi-governmental entity in the executive branch of state government, or any independent entity of state government that is created by the use of the governor's emergency powers pursuant to this chapter.

(b) Notwithstanding any provision of this part to the contrary, an executive agency must be reviewed by the government operations joint evaluation committee on judiciary and government within sixty (60) days of the executive agency's creation for the sole purpose of making a recommendation on whether to continue or discontinue the executive agency and its function. The joint evaluation committee shall make a recommendation on the continuation or discontinuation to the general assembly for further action within five (5) days of the completion of such review.

(c) The government operations joint evaluation committee on judiciary and government shall review the executive agency in accordance with subsection (b) to either:

(1) Extend the executive agency and its function for a period to be determined by the general assembly, by legislative enactment; or

(2) Not extend the executive agency and its function and prohibit any further action by the executive agency, by legislative enactment.

(d) All public purchases and contracts for goods and services entered into by an executive agency beginning on July 1, 2021, are subject to the requirements of title 12, chapter 3.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2021, the public welfare requiring it.